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FROM USREP ICAO

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SUBJ: ICAO - COUNCIL MEETING DEC 2 (C/OB 83/4)

1. COUNCIL TOOK ACTIONS AS RECOMMENDED ON ALL WORKING PAPERS.
INTERESTING INTERVENTIONS INCLUDED FOLLOWING:

REGARDING CWP/6057, UK GAVE PREPARED STATEMENT REGARDING IMPORT-
ANCE OF INFORMAL "WORKSHOPS" BUT STRONGLY CAUTIONED AGAINST
STRAYING INTO POLICY-LEVEL MATTERS RESERVED FOR COUNCIL, ETC.
UKREP MENTIONED ESPECIALLY WORKSHOPS ON AIRPORT AND ROUTE
FACILITY CHARGES.

2. REGARDING CWP/6084 (REF STATE 261671), US SUGGESTED THAT DIP
CONFERENCE BE HELD LATER IN FALL TO ALLOW BETTER PREPARATION.
POINTING OUT MEETING SCHEDULED BEFORE COUNCIL IS FOR PLANNING
PURPOSES ONLY, SECGEN STATED WILL BE PREPARED WITH FULL INFOR-
MATION ON RESCHEDULING DIP CONFERENCE, WHEN LEGAL COMMITTEE
PAPER COMES BEFORE COUNCIL LATER THIS WEEK. NO ONE INTERVENED
AGAINST SUGGESTION, BUT UKREP STATED THAT HE WOULD HAVE NO
POSITION ON PROPOSAL OTHER THAN SEPT DATES AND THEREFORE MAY
REQUEST DELAY IN COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF SPECIFIC DATES
FOR THIS MEETING. IT WAS POINTED OUT WORLD WIDE STATISTICS
DIVISION MEETING IN NOVEMBER (DATES ALREADY SET). DEPARTMENT
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SHOULD PROVIDE SPECIFIC DATES FOR PROPOSAL BY USREP, HAVING

IN MIND TOTAL ICAO MEETING SCHEDULE 4TH QUARTER. REGARDING COST OF DIP CONFERENCE, CZECHREP INQUIRED ABOUT FINANCING "IF A HOST STATE INVITES".

3. REGARDING CWP/6061, LEBANON SUGGESTED USE OF CRITERIA IN OBTAINING INFORMATION REGARDING ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION BUT "CAUTIONED AGAINST UTILIZATION OF QUESTIONNAIRES". MEXICO EMPHASIZED THAT INFORMATION TO BE OBTAINED IS NOT RPT NOT "COSTS" BUT "TYPES OF COST" IN KEEPING WITH ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION.

4. CWP/6060, NIGERIA MADE GENERAL INTERVENTION SUGGESTING COUNCIL WAIT FOR RESULT PARA 3 BEFORE PURSUING PARA 2. MINOR DISCUSSION -- ADOPTED ACTION PROPOSED IN PAPER.

5. FORMAL FAREWELL TO DIALLO/SENEGAL. IN 30 MIN FAREWELL ADDRESS, DIALLO DELVED INTO SEVERAL MATTERS SUBSTANTIVE IN DEPTH. MOST COMMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY HIM ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. HOWEVER, HE SPOKE FORTHRIGHTLY REGARDING NEED FOR OBJECTIVITY OF SECRETARIAT, MENTIONING THAT RATES AND FARES WORK AT RECENT ASSEMBLY WAS EXAMPLE OF "SECRETARIAT BEING LESS THAN OBJECTIVE". DIALLO STATED FLATLY HE BELIEVES GOVERNMENTS SHOULD SET AIRFARES, NOT AIRLINES. HE MENTIONED A "LONG-EXISTING VACUUM IN ICAO" REGARDING THIS SUBJECT AND APPEALED TO COUNCIL NOT TO WAIT UNTIL WORLD WIDE CRISIS DEVELOPS AND THEN BE FORCED TO TAKE ILL-PREPARED ACTION. (IN NEW POSITION DIALLO WILL HAVE LITTLE TO DO WITH AVIATION DIRECTLY, BUT AS EUROPEAN AMBASSADOR FOR TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, THE ONE AREA HE MAY STILL TRY TO INFLUENCE IS THE ECONOMIC SIDE OF AVIATION -- THAT IS RATES AND FARES VIS-A-VIS SENEGAL/AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT).
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